

Technical Cost Modeling for Vehicle Lightweighting: 40% and 45% Weight Reduction Project ID # LM090

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Overview

Timeline

- Project Start: December 2013
- Project end: December 2014
- 100% Complete

Budget

• FY14-15 = \$120 K

Barriers

- Conflicting forces between vehicle lightweighting designs and materials with economics and consumer preferences
- Lack of information on high volume, world class manufacturing costs and materials prices for many weight reduction strategies

Project Partners

- IBIS Associates, Incorporated
- Energetics Incorporated.
- Idaho National Laboratory (INL)



A. Relevance

Objective

- Develop framework and analyses to validate cost effective weight reduction of target baseline vehicle by 40%.
- Compare scenarios and identify path for most effective cost-per-pound-saved, (target \$3.42/lb)
- Identify additional opportunities and requirements to achieve 45% weight reduction

Workplan

- 1.) Follow and incorporate weight savings data from DOE MMLV Mach1 and Mach 2 designs
- 2.) Review data from other high profile lightweighting initiatives
- 3.) Participate in discussions with DOE VTO, INL, MMLV, Energetics, etc. team members
- 4.) Assemble data and construct models for analysis
- 5) Report results and make recommendations



B-1. Approach: Task List

- Develop preliminary approach to achieve 40% weight reduction for BIW and chassis
- Develop TCM framework and collect relevant data
- Implement preliminary approach in the TCM and validate results (within 10 percent uncertainty)
- Adjust approach as needed and reevaluate the TCM to achieve the 40% target weight reduction and meet cost goal or less than \$3.42 per pound or weight saved
- Complete 40% weight reduction draft report.
- Draft of baseline vehicle weight distribution and draft of systems costs with assumptions for internal review
- Draft of cost model showing cost effective pathway to reach mid-term goal of 45% weight reduction in a midsize passenger car
- Complete 45% weight reduction draft report.
- Complete 45% weight reduction report in format suitable for publication and/or distribution



B-2. Approach: 2013 Baseline Vehicle











(a) Chevrolet Malibu, (b) Buick LaCrosse,
(c) Chrysler 200,
(d) Ford Fusion, and (e) Honda Accord.

Internal Combustion Engine Midsize Steel Unibody		
	Mass	Cost
	(lb)	(\$)
Baseline	998	\$6,119
Engine	345	\$3,162
Energy Storage	33	\$74
Fuel System	165	\$364
Transmission	195	\$1,199
Driveshaft/Axle	55	\$177
Differential	24	\$132
Cradle	62	\$107
Thermal Management	33	\$150
Exhaust System	50	\$230
Oil and Grease	9	\$81
Powertrain Electronics	22	\$400
Emission Control Electronics	1.006	\$43
DIW	1,006	\$2,823
BIW Closures	717 134	\$1,287 \$230
Front/Rear Bumpers	20	\$230 \$126
Glazing	81	\$250
Paint	24	\$450
Exterior Trim	8	\$144
Body Hardware	18	\$312
Body Sealers and Deadeners	4	\$24
Body Sealers and Beaderiers	663	\$1,807
Suspension	270	\$578
Braking System	163	\$406
Wheels and Tires	180	\$317
Steering System	49	\$506
	473	\$3,370
Instrument Panel	84	\$900
Trim and Insulation	119	\$390
Door Modules	50	\$300
Seating and Restraints	172	\$1,330
Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC)	48	\$450
	112	\$1,000
Interior Electrical	57	\$400
Chassis Electrical	33	\$400
Exterior Electrical	22	\$200
	53	\$605
	3305	\$15724

Midsize Baseline 2013

Photos from Edmunds.com



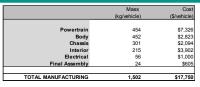
B-3. Approach: Data Sources

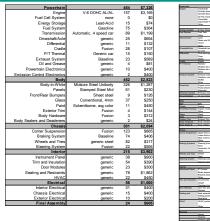
- DOE target definition
- Direct interviews with OEM and supplier engineers and designers
- Published vehicle specification data
- IBIS databases and previous cost analyses
- Vehma/Ford Fusion breakdown data
- Vehma/Ford MMLV Mach-1 and Mach-2 data
- Lotus Phase 1 lightweighting
- FEV Light-Duty Mass Reduction Cost Analysis
- Aluminum Association BIW studies
- Honda's Study & Report on NHTSA Study
- USCAR/ACC/USAMP lightweighting studies

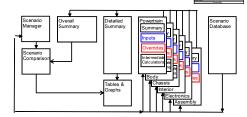


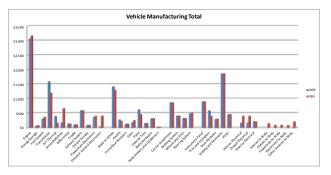
C-1. Strategy: Overview

- Define Baseline
- Build Cost Model Structure
 - System Level
 - Subsystems
 - Components
 - Assembly
- Collect Lightweighting Program Data
 - Integrate Data to Vehicle Scenarios
- Analytical Framework
 - Link Power, Mass, Sizing, Cost Relationships
 - Compare Scenario results
 - Identify additional weight savings needed
 - Establish economic requirements for cost target



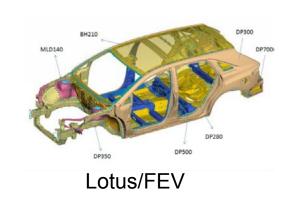


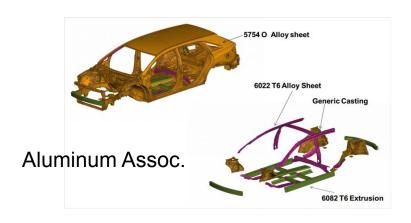


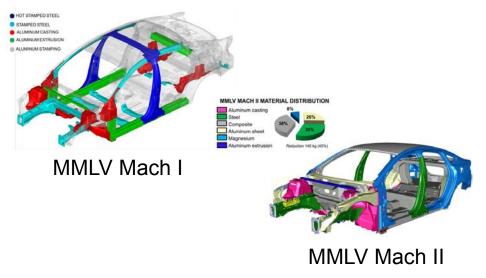




C-2. Available Lightweighting Program Data









BMW i3



C-3. Lightweighting Technologies

Body

- Ultra high strength steels
- Aluminum stampings, extrusions, and castings
- Carbon fiber layup (tape and roving, automated), SMC, and injection molding
- Chemically toughened glass, polycarbonate

Powertrain

- Magnesium and Aluminum high pressure vacuum die casting
- Carbon fiber filament winding
- Increased power density from advanced engine design

Chassis

- Aluminum castings, forgings, and extrusions
- Carbon fiber wheels

Assembly

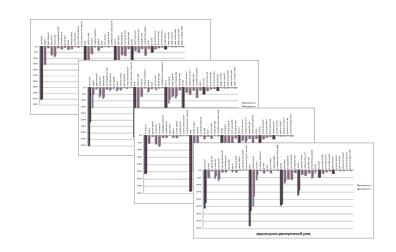
- Adhesive bonding
- Self piercings rivets
- Friction stir welding

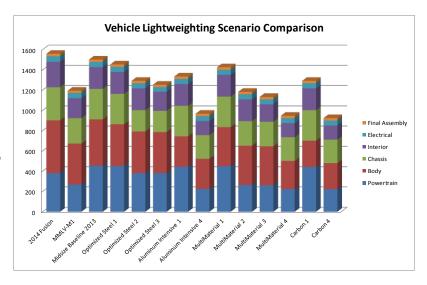


C-4. Mass Reduction Analysis

Baseline

- Previously defined case study, mass and cost list
- Stage 1
 - Body structure alternatives only (BIW, panels, bumpers)
 - Optimized steel, aluminum intensive, multimaterial, carbon
- Stage 2
 - Powertrain and chassis
- Stage 3
 - Other body, interior, auxiliary systems
- Stage 4
 - "Best-in-class" from each scenario, Mach 2MM Body
- Stage 5
 - Additional/speculative mass reduction to reach 45% target







C-5. Risk Factors

- Costing performed as fully implemented, high volume processes, with automation and expected learning curve improvements (not as current developmental or low volume)
- Full detail of functionally equivalent, crashworthy designs for most advanced concepts were not available
- Potential reduced performance

Particular to carbon:

- Repairability
- Corrosion system unclear
- \$/pound fiber actual vs \$/lb required
- \$/pound finished part actual vs required



D-1. Technical Accomplishments

	2014 Fusion	MMLV-M1	Midsize Baseline 2013	Optimized Steel 1	Optimized Steel 2	Optimized Steel 3		Auminum Intensive 4	Multi- Material 1	Multi- Material 2	Multi- Material 3	Multi- Material 4	Carbon 1	Carbon 4	Carbon 5	40% Reduction Taroet	45% Reduction Target
Lbs	3430	2629	3304	3198	2843	2758	2937	2129	3138	2604	2493	2084	2843	2034	1812	1983	1817
Lbs Saved	0	801	0	106	462	546	367	1175	167	701	812	1220	462	1271	1493	1322	1487
% wt savings	0.0%	23.4%	0.0%	3.2%	14.0%	16.5%	11.1%	35.6%	5.0%	21.2%	24.6%	36.9%	14.0%	38.5%	45.2%	40.0%	45.0%
Direct Mfg Cost \$3.42/lb Cost Target			\$15,724 \$15,724	\$15,522 \$16,087	\$15,389 \$17,302	\$15,291 \$17,591	\$16,070 \$16,980		\$16,107 \$16,294	\$16,484 \$18,120	100000000000000000000000000000000000000	30.00	\$21,705 \$17,303	\$22,307 \$20,069	\$25,211 \$20,829	\$20,244	\$20,809
Project Cost of Wt. Save Target Cost Wt. Save			\$3.42	-\$1.90 \$3.42		-\$0.79 \$3.42	571.534		\$2.30 \$3.42	100.000	1207700	\$3.53 \$3.42	\$12.95 \$3.42	\$5.18 \$3.42	300000		

- 13 scenarios compared, at various levels of mass reduction
- Total weight saved and overall direct manufacturing cost evaluated
- Cost of weight savings compared to target
- Assessment of CF material price and composite fabrication cost required to meet 40% and 45% mass reduction targets at additional cost target of \$3.42/lb-saved

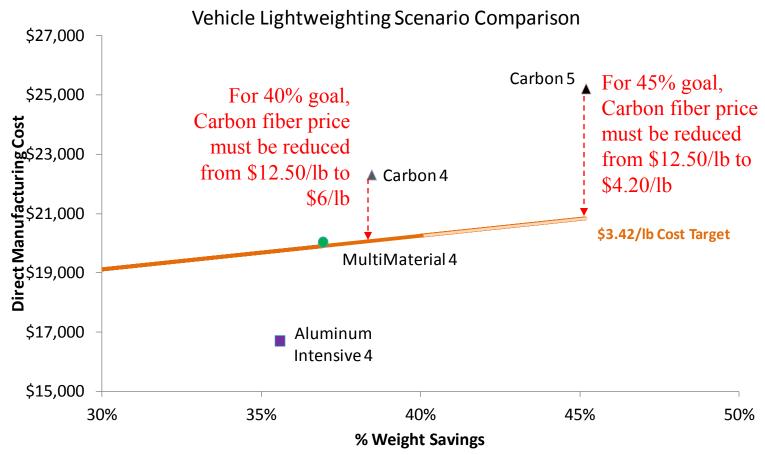


D-2. Lightweighting Cost Analysis Results



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D-3. Results, CF Price Needed for Target



Costing results of advanced weight savings scenarios based on different material systems. Carbon scenarios assume optimistic projected carbon composite processing cost of \$5/lb and current carbon fiber price of \$12.50/lb.

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E. Collaborations

- Analysis developed within IBIS Associates, Inc. and Energetics Incorporated.
- Direction and assistance from DOE
 - Carol Schutte, Materials Technology Lead, VTO
 - Gerry Gibbs, Propulsion Materials, VTO
 - Data, commentary, and advice from Vehma/Ford MMLV team



F. Future Activities / Ongoing Work

- Development of a spectrum analysis to identify a coherent lightweighting strategy adoption path
 - Prioritize by weight saved, cost of savings, and readiness
 - Establish structure for comparing additional proposed strategies
- Process Technical Cost Modeling
 - Carbon fiber molding
 - Aluminum extruded components
 - Magnesium sheet forming



Response to Previous Criteria

This project was not presented at the 2014 AMR



Conclusion

Mass reduction ~30%

Utilizes:

- Established technologies
- State-of-the-art designs
- Significant power downsizing & luxury decontenting*

Achievable with:

- Moderate price premium
- Low technical risk

Mass reduction ~40%

Extensive lightweighting needed:

- High-volume production
 - e.g. Mg (moderate technical risk)
- Automated & rapid cycle time composite forming (high technical risk)

Cost premium remains high until high-volume, low-cost CFCs are available

Mass reduction ~45%

Requires:

- Extensive use of lightweight materials (CFCs, Mg, others)
- Advanced electrical & interior systems

Adjust market expectations of vehicle:

- Performance
- Comfort
- Features



^{*}if accepted by the market

Technical Back-up Slides

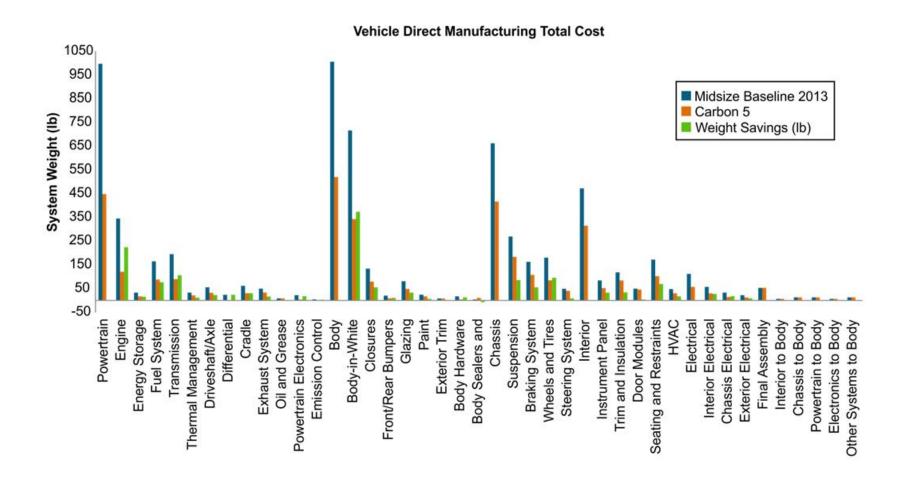


\$3.42/lb-saved Target Basis

- Metric provided by DOE at outset of study
- Based on simple payback model
 - NPV of fuel savings to consumer
 - 7% reduction in fuel use per 10% weight saved
 - 15 year life
 - 10,000 miles average travel per year
 - 7% annual discount factor
- Lifetime value of weight savings equates to the cost of 1.1 gallons of gasoline

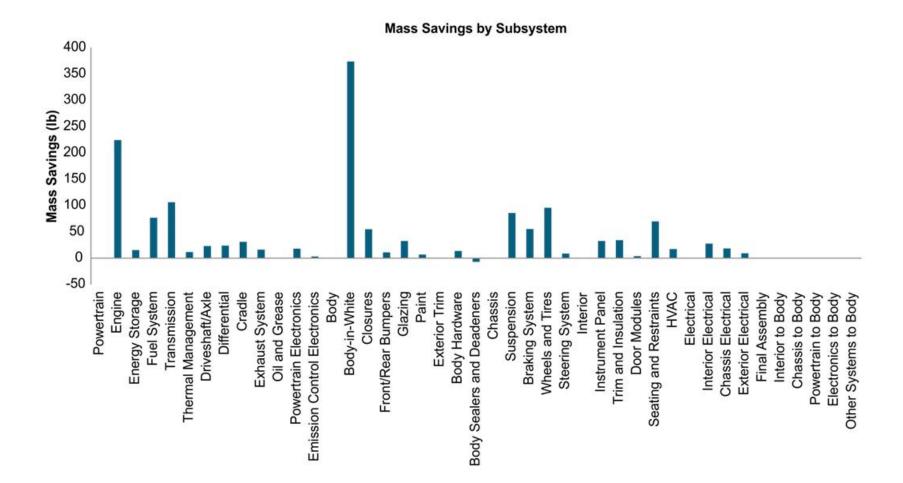


H-3. Results, 45% Mass Reduction Breakdown



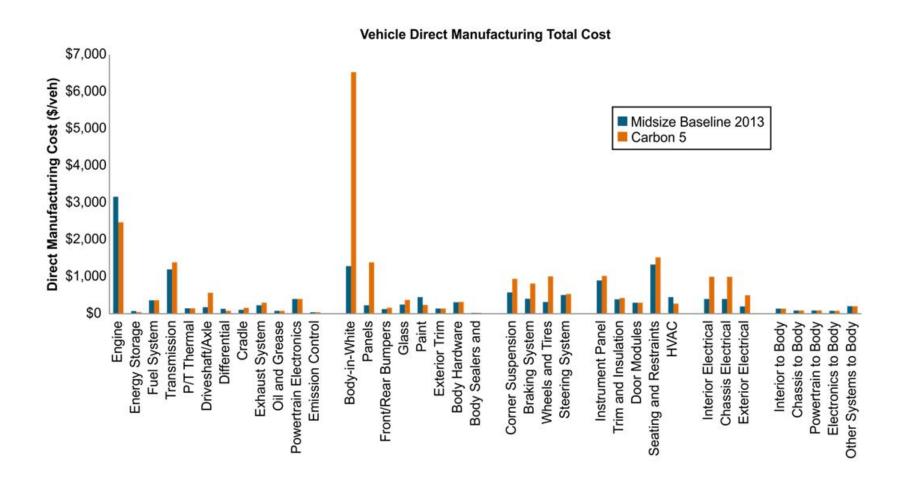


H-4. Results, Mass Reduction by System





H-5. Results, Direct Cost Increase by System





H-6. Results, Scenario Savings vs. Target

